



**PROVISION OF TRAINING SERVICES TO THE PROMOTING ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE COMMERCIAL AQUACULTURE IN UGANDA (PESCA) PROJECT  
(Ref: FED/2018/397-275/SERVS /MAOPE/1.7.1)**

**ADVERT FOR SHORT COURSES TRAINING IN AQUACULTURE**

**A. BACKGROUND**

The Department of Zoology, Entomology, and Fisheries Sciences, College of Natural Sciences, Makerere University was awarded a contract under the European Union-funded PESCA project implemented by Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) for the provision of training services. The overall objective of the assignment is to support training that will improve knowledge, skills, and practices that enhance aquaculture production and productivity in Uganda. This will be achieved through the following specific objectives:

1. Support the placement of undergraduate students to work (internships) with fish farmers or other suitable aquaculture value chain (AVC) actors;
2. Conduct inclusive customized short-term training with gender considerations (women, men, youth, people with disabilities) including farmers, Producer Organizations (POs), feed & seed producers, service providers, and other aquaculture stakeholders; and
3. Support MSc. research and training.

The expected outputs from the short-course trainings are:

- i) Trainees (farmers, Producer Organizations, feed & seed producers, service providers etc.) with job-demanded competency skills & knowledge;
- ii) Increased engagement of AVC actors in the training of students & review of university curricula;
- iii) Orientation of tertiary Fisheries and aquaculture training institutions' curricula to practical thematic areas; and
- iv) Compendium of different modules compiled and shared with partners.

**A certificate of attendance will be issued to trainees who successfully complete the training.**

**B. THE SHORT COURSE TRAINING OPPORTUNITY**

Applications are invited for 180 fully funded bursaries for six (6) trainings covering relevant modules specified in (C) below. Each course is expected to be conducted within seven (7) days jointly with the Aquaculture Research and Development Center (ARDC), Kajjansi, National Fisheries Resources Research Institute (NAFIRRI).

### C. SHORT COURSE MODULES

TARGET GROUP(S)	RELEVANT MODULES	TRAINING DATES
1.Hatchery operators and managers	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Fish seed production and hatchery management (including fingerling transportation; early stock management in grow-out pond); Fish diseases and health management; Aquaculture business planning and organisation.	9-14 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
2.Fish farmers and farm managers	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Establishing a commercially viable aquaculture enterprise; Aquaculture business planning and organisation; Aquaculture production systems.	23-28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
3. Producer groups	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Aquaculture production systems; Fish diseases and health management; Aquaculture business planning and organisation (including group dynamics, resource mobilisation for group self-sustenance; fish marketing skills).	6-11 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
4. Feed producers	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Fish feeds production; Fish feeding and feed management; Aquaculture business planning and organisation	13-18 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
5. Aquaculture Extension workers	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Aquaculture production systems, Fish diseases and health management; Aquaculture business planning and organization; Aquaculture Extension workers (including service delivery; aquaculture extension methods and tools).	7 <sup>th</sup> November - 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022
6. Food and Fish Processors	Introduction to commercial aquaculture; Value addition for farmed fish; Aquaculture business planning and organisation.	11-16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022

#### **D. ELIGIBILITY**

<b>Target groups</b>	<b>Selection requirements for admission</b>
Hatchery operators and managers	Ability to read and write
Fish farmers and farm managers	Ability to read and write
Producer groups	Ability to read, write and presentation of a registration certificate as a CBO or cooperative society
Feed producers	Ability to read and write
Aquaculture Extension workers	Minimum is a certificate in Fisheries and aquaculture
Food and Fish Processors	Ability to read and write

#### **E. APPLICATION PROCESS**

Application form should be electronically filled and submitted here: <https://forms.gle/52JWCEaDH1ADcbVk7>. In addition, a signed recommendation from your District Fisheries Officer or Leader of Producer Organisation should also be sent to the Head of Department ([eric.sande@mak.ac.ug](mailto:eric.sande@mak.ac.ug)), with a copy to the Team Leader, Dr. Jackson Efitre ([jackson.efitre@mak.ac.ug](mailto:jackson.efitre@mak.ac.ug)), and the short courses Coordinators, Juliet Nattabi Kattabi ([juliet.nattabi@mak.ac.ug](mailto:juliet.nattabi@mak.ac.ug)) and Rosemary Nalwanga ([rosemary.nalwanga@mak.ac.ug](mailto:rosemary.nalwanga@mak.ac.ug)) by the deadline of 30th September, 2022 at 5:00PM.